

Civil Forfeiture Crime Prevention and Remediation Grant Program

Webinar for Potential Applicants

Community Safety and Crime Prevention Branch Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General

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AGENDA

- Welcome and Introductions
- Overview of the Civil Forfeiture Process and the Civil Forfeiture Grant Program
- 2019-2020 Civil Forfeiture Funding Streams and Criteria
- Helpful Tips for Applicants
- How Funding Decisions are Made
- Timelines for the Grant Process
- Questions

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

 Welcome from the Community Safety and Crime Prevention Branch, Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General.

 Introduction to the Civil Forfeiture grant program team.

CIVIL FORFEITURE OFFICE

 Since 2006, B.C.'s Civil Forfeiture Office has operated under the authority of the Civil Forfeiture Act.

 The Civil Forfeiture Office works to remove the tools and proceeds of unlawful activity.

 The Civil Forfeiture Office is self-funding with remaining funding reserved for grants.

CRIME PREVENTION & CRIME REMEDIATION GRANTS

- The Crime Prevention and Crime Remediation Grant Program provides one-time funding through the proceeds from civil forfeiture.
- Funding is allocated to streams that align with government priority areas that are chosen on an annual basis.
- The value of civil forfeiture grants fluctuates year to year; over \$43 million in Crime Prevention Grants has been awarded since 2006.

FUNDING STREAMS 2019-2020

- 1) Crime Prevention
- 2) Restorative Justice
- 3) Indigenous Healing and Rebuilding
- Violence Against Women Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault
- 5) Domestic Violence Prevention / Intervention Programming
- 6) Human Trafficking, Sexual Exploitation, and Vulnerable Women in the Sex Trade
- 7) Child and Youth Advocacy Centres

NOTE: Applications for grants related to police training and equipment are handled by the Civil Forfeiture Office only. For more information about these grants, please contact **CivilFO@gov.bc.ca**

STREAM 1: CRIME PREVENTION

Stream Focus	This stream provides one-time funding of up to \$75,000 to projects that will support evidence-based crime prevention initiatives. • Proposals must identify, assess, prevent, and reduce the frequency and severity of criminal activity.
Priority Areas	Applicants can submit proposals that focus on their communities unique crime prevention and community safety needs, however, the following priority areas have been identified: • Gang involvement and gun violence. • Mental health and substance use issues who are involved or are at-risk of becoming involved in the criminal justice system.
Preference	Preference may be given to programs that directly target high-risk, vulnerable individuals.

STREAM 2: RESTORATIVE JUSTICE

Stream Focus	This stream provides one-time funding of up to \$30,000 for projects from current restorative justice service providers that will support or enhance their current restorative justice delivery, including victim specific program needs. Proposals may include funding for the following: Capacity development Participant supports_including supports that prevent victim retraumatization Awareness building Partnership development Service delivery
Mandatory Criteria	Applicants must be a <u>curren</u> t restorative justice service provider (including Community Accountability Programs and Indigenous Justice Programs).
Exclusions	Proposals must NOT address issues related to power-based crimes (including violence against women, sexual assault, and/or hate-motivated crimes)

STREAM 3: INDIGENOUS HEALING AND REBUILDING

Stream Focus

This stream provides one-time funding of **up to \$30,000** to projects that will use holistic approaches to address healing and rebuilding of Indigenous individuals, families, and/or communities from trauma, crime, or victimization in communities across British Columbia.

NOTE:

The term "holistic" refers to projects that address:

- Healing for the individual, the family and/or the broader community;
- Emotional, mental, physical, and spiritual aspects of healing;
- Rebuilding within an impacted community; and
- Other culturally identified practice(s) that contribute to holistic healing

STREAM 4: VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN – DOMESTIC VIOLENCE & SEXUAL ASSAULT

Stream Focus	This stream provides one-time funding of up to \$30,000 for projects that will develop and/or enhance responses to domestic violence and/or sexual assault against women.
Preference	Preference may be given to projects that address domestic violence and/or sexual assault against Indigenous women and girls
Exclusions	Proposals for domestic violence prevention/intervention programming aimed at those who commit violence in relationships are not eligible for funding under this stream – please refer to Stream 5.

STREAM 5: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION / INTERVENTION PROGRAMMING

Stream Focus	 This stream will provide one-time funding of up to \$30,000 for direct delivery of domestic violence prevention/intervention programming. Funding will support organizations that presently deliver (i.e., at least one program cycle in the past 24-months) domestic violence prevention/intervention group programming in community to individuals who commit violence in intimate partner relationships. Programming must be delivered prior to the charge, conviction or sentencing stage of the criminal justice process. Programming must contribute to the safety and wellbeing of victims who have experienced, or are at-risk of experiencing, domestic violence.
Eligible Recipients	Not-for-profit organizations based in British Columbia
Mandatory criteria	 Programs must: include structured pre-planned curriculum, learning objectives and program outcomes; be delivered in a group setting; be delivered by one or more qualified practitioners; be of no cost to participants.

STREAM 5: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PREVENTION / INTERVENTION PROGRAMMING (CONT'D)

Preferred Criteria

- Preference will be given to proposals that:
 - Prioritize and emphasize the values of anti-violence work and safety of victims and children in all aspects of program delivery.
 - Use an eclectic approach, drawing on a blend of theoretical foundations.
 - Include careful screening and intake assessments that determine suitability and/or readiness of applicants.
 - Recognize the nature of domestic violence requires a focus on prevention of relapse to sustain behaviour change and prioritizes client retention and continued supports for clients after a program ends.
 - Incorporate the topics listed in the guidelines on page 20.
- In addition, the following will also be considered when making decisions on funding:
 - Programs that are delivered in Indigenous communities, and or by Indigenous organizations; and
 - Geographic distribution of funded programs.

STREAM 6: HUMAN TRAFFICKING, SEXUAL EXPLOITATION, AND VULNERABLE WOMEN IN THE SEX TRADE

Stream Focus	This stream provides one-time funding of up to \$30,000 for projects that will address issues related to human trafficking (including labour exploitation and trafficking), sexual exploitation, and vulnerable women in the sex trade.
Preference	Preference will be given to proposals that address Indigenous women and/or Indigenous youth

STREAM 7: CHILD AND YOUTH ADVOCACY CENTRES

Stream Focus	This stream provides one-time funding of up to \$70,000 for projects that will enhance the capacity, development, or improvement of service(s) within an existing Child and Youth Advocacy Centre (CYAC).	
Eligible CYACs	 Applicants must be a current CYAC to apply: Sophie's Place (Surrey) Alisa's Wish (Maple Ridge) Treehouse CYAC (Vancouver) SKY Coordinated Response (Kootenay Boundary) First Nations CYAC (Prince George) The Oak Child and Youth Advocacy Centre (North Okanagan Vernon) Victoria CYAC (Victoria) Kelowna CYAC (Kelowna) Big Bear CYAC (Kamloops) 	

APPLICATION FORMS

- NEW: PDF-fillable application forms for each stream.
- Text limits in the application form (1800 to 3500 characters).
- Instructions on downloading Adobe reader in the guidelines.
- It is your organization's responsibility to relay updated contact information to the crime prevention and crime remediation grant program.

PROJECT SUMMARY

- New project summary section added.
- Project summary should be a clear and concise description of the project (4-5 sentences max).
- Project summary should include the following:
 - The project name;
 - A clear description of the project's objectives (e.g. reduce recidivism of gang involved youth);
 - The project's target group including the number of participants (e.g. 40 youth at-risk of gang involvement), and
 - The activities to be implemented including the number and intensity (e.g. 40 counselling sessions of 2 hours in duration).

TARGET POPULATION

- Proposals must clearly demonstrate the target population for the project.
- Clearly indicate how many individuals will be targeted and the duration of the engagement.

- O Who will your project target and why?
- O How will you target these individuals?
- Is the program duration and frequency appropriate for the potential participants?
- O How many cohorts will be conducted?

OBJECTIVES - S.M.A.R.T.

Use a SMART lens when developing your project's objectives



ACTIVITIES

- Proposals must clearly demonstrate the specific activities that will be implemented to meet your objectives
- Use an evidence-based approach to strengthen your proposal.

- Do your project activities align with your objectives?
- Is it clear how your activities will support meeting your objectives?
- Is there evidence to demonstrate that the activities you will implement can be effective at meeting the project's intended objectives?

OUTCOMES

- Clearly indicate the desired outcomes of the project.
- Indicate how these outcomes will be measured.

- What indicators will you use to measure the effectiveness of your project?
- What measures or tools will be used to collect the data?
- Can you feasibly collect the necessary data to support your evaluation? If not, how else can you demonstrate the effectiveness of your project?

LEVEL OF NEED

- Proposals must demonstrate a clear need for the project within the community.
- Demonstrate the gap in programming that exists in your community and how your project will fill that gap.

- Is there quantitative data available that demonstrates the need? If not, is there qualitative data that does?
- What services (direct or related) are currently available to address the program? How does your project differ?

COLLABORATION

- Proposals should demonstrate evidence of direct collaboration between partners for a coordinated response.
- Letters of support should be provided where possible and must be delivered before the deadline in order to be considered (only relevant for certain streams, please verify before submitting letters).
- **NOTE**: not all streams require support letters. Verify through the application form

- What partners are necessary to implement your project? What role will they play and are they committed to playing this role? If no partners are necessary then explain why.
- Are there protocols/memorandums of understanding in place or do they need to be developed? Are the roles and responsibilities of each partner clearly articulated?

RISKS

- Proposals must identify the key risks that a project may face in implementation and how these risks will be addressed and/or mitigated.
- Do not state there are no risks; there is always some degree of risk involved in implementing a project. Conduct a risk analysis: https://opentextbc.ca/projectmanagement/chapter/chapter-16-risk-management-planning-project-management/
- Risks may include: staffing changes, insufficient stakeholder engagement, insufficient target population participation, etc.

BUDGET & ACCOUNTING

 Proposals must contain a reasonable and detailed budget.

 Consideration will be given to value for money, i.e. the scope and reach of the project in comparison to the amount of the funding requested.

 Outline how you plan to account for and report on how funds will be spent.

	Amount Requested	Amount from Other Sources	Total Project Expenditures
Staff -1 staff member \$20/hr, 18 hours per week for 26 pay periods =\$18,720.00 (gross pay) Cost of benefits 15% of gross pay = \$2,808.00 Total staffing costs = \$21,528.00	\$21,528.00	\$0.00	\$21,528.00
Transportation -N/A	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Materials -Workshop costs (building rental) -\$2,172 -Workshop supplies - \$2,000	\$4,172.00	\$0.00	\$4172.00
Equipment -N/A	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Rent/Utilities -Telephone (12 months) = \$300.00	\$300.00	\$0.00	\$300.00
Other -Honoraria (4 guest speakers) = \$400.00 -Administration 12% (to cover costs of the centre administering the project) = \$3,600	\$4,000.00	\$0.00	\$4,000.00
Total	\$30,000.00	\$0.00	\$30,000.00

TIPS FOR APPLICANTS

- Please read the Application Guide carefully before completing your application form and submitting a proposal.
- Each stream has unique criteria; choose the stream that best fits your project.
- Make sure your organization is eligible to apply.
- Funding limits for grants vary in each stream –
 ensure your budget request does not exceed the
 funding limit.

TIPS FOR APPLICANTS (CONT'D)

- Provide clear and concise answers.
- Do not include links to websites to explain or support a concept; be sure to provide a summary using your own words.
- Proof-read for spelling and grammar errors. Have multiple eyes review your work.
- Double-check that your calculations are accurate in your budget.

TIPS FOR APPLICANTS (CONT'D)

- Ensure your application is complete and that all supporting documents are included with your application email.
- Please ensure your signatory has signed the last page of the application
- Leave yourself sufficient time to draft, revise and complete your application.
- Submit your application to CFOgrants@gov.bc.ca

HOW FUNDING DECISIONS ARE MADE

 A formalized review and assessment process is in place for the evaluation of all grant applications that are received by the Ministry:



- Please keep in mind that the Civil Forfeiture Crime Prevention and Crime Remediation Grant Program is an extremely competitive process.
- Geographic distribution is taken into consideration in finalizing the projects recommended for funding.

TIMELINES

DATE	ACTIVITY
Monday, November 18, 2019	Application period closes. All applications must be received no later than 4:30 pm (PST)
Week of March 30, 2020	Applicants notified of results
April 2020 to March 31, 2021	Project implementation

HELPFUL RESOURCES

- BC Civil Forfeiture Crime Prevention and Crime Remediation Grant Program Application Guide https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/crime-prevention/grants
- Setting Goals and Developing Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, and Time-Bound Objectives
 https://www.samhsa.gov/sites/default/files/nc-smart-goals-fact-sheet.pdf
- Guide for Selecting an Effective Crime Prevention Program <u>https://www.publicsafety.gc.ca/cnt/rsrcs/pblctns/gd-slctng-ffctv-prgrm/index-en.aspx</u>

QUESTIONS?

 If you have any additional questions related to the application process, you can contact the Civil Forfeiture Team at CFOgrants@gov.bc.ca.

 If you have any stream-specific questions, you can contact stream leads by using their email or phone number listed in the application guide.